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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**OHIO MAN CHARGED IN
CLARK COUNTY BANK ROBBERIES**

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that JAMIE JARNIEL BUTLER, 30, Toledo, Ohio, was indicted today by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for two counts of armed bank robbery, following an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The indictment alleges that BUTLER committed two southern Indiana bank robberies: the robbery of the PNC Bank, 819 Eastern Boulevard, Clarksville, Indiana, on June 20, 2001, and the robbery of the New Washington State Bank, 1467 Youngstown Center, Jeffersonville,

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Indiana, on July 13, 2001. The indictment charges that BUTLER was armed with a handgun in each of the robberies, and that he obtained almost \$20,000.00 during the commission of the two robberies.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Susan Heckard Dowd, who is prosecuting the case for the government, BUTLER faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 50 years and a maximum possible fine of \$500,000.00 if convicted of the charges. BUTLER is currently in federal custody in Chicago, Illinois, facing charges for an armed bank robbery there in March 2002. An initial hearing will be scheduled for BUTLER before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in New Albany following resolution of the charges in Chicago.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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